



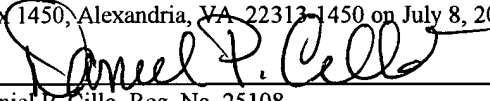
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2004, in connection with the above-captioned application. The Office Action has been carefully reviewed, and the following response offered in attempt to advance the case to allowance. A Terminal Disclaimer re Militar-U.S. 6,658,187 B2 (formerly published as U.S. 2003/0059183A1) as well as a copy of the patent and a copy of the assignment are attached. An Associate Power of Attorney is also attached. Reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims in light of the following attached documents and the remarks is courteously requested.

The copy of the Assignment shows that the Assignee of this application and the Militar are the same.

Amendment to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.